

CHAPTER 328
FORMERLY
HOUSE BILL NO. 324

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES IN HONOR OF DELAWARE VETERANS WITH FUNDS BEING PROVIDED TO THE STATE OF DELAWARE VETERANS TRUST FUND.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Three-fifths of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

Section 1. Amend Chapter 21, Title 21 of the Delaware Code as follows:

§2139Q. Special license plates Honoring Delaware Veterans.

(a) The owner of any vehicle described in subsection (b) of this section may apply to the Division of Motor Vehicles for assignment to that vehicle a special plate "Honoring Our Veterans".

(b) This section applies only to:

- (1) A private passenger vehicle; or
- (2) A truck with a 3/4-ton or less manufacturer's rated capacity.

(c) Upon the initial application for a plate to be issued pursuant to this section, a 1-time fee of \$20, which includes an administrative fee of \$10, is required in addition to the annual registration fee required by this title. This additional fee is required for all persons applying for a special plate pursuant to this section, including members of nonprofit organizations, even if members are exempt from registration fees under § 2159 of this title. A replacement plate may be obtained upon payment of a fee to be set by the Division, which shall cover the cost of the plate.

(d) The funds derived by the State from that portion of the 1-time fee of \$20 that is not defined as an administrative fee pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be deposited by the Division of Motor Vehicles with the State Treasurer and shall be specifically set aside and deposited with the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs for its deposit in the Veterans Trust Fund.

(e) All registration plates issued pursuant to this section shall be of the colors and design as determined by the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs. The license plate may also include words, a slogan or an emblem Honoring Delaware Veterans. The Commission may at its discretion drop the wording "The First State" and substitute in lieu thereof "Honoring Our Veterans". The Division of Motor Vehicles shall have the power to refuse any design which it believes would cause a public safety enforcement problem.

(f) The Department shall reserve sufficient special license plates including the letters "HV" and numbered consecutively beginning with the numeral "1" as are necessary to implement this section.

(g) The Division of Motor Vehicles may promulgate rules and regulations as required to administer this section.

Approved July 21, 2014